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AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (PRESENTED  
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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
IAHRC INTRODUCED BY THE US DELEGATION:

QUOTE - THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,  
HAVING SEEN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN  
RIGHTS COMMISSION (IAHRC) FOR 1977, PRESENTED TO IT BY THE  
AFOREMENTIONED COMMISSION; AND,

NOTING WITH SATISFACTION THE RECENT RATIFICATION OF THE  
AMERICAN CONVENTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS (PACT OF SAN JOSE) BY  
THE GOVERNMENTS OF PANAMA AND EL SALVADOR, AS WELL AS THE  
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EXPRESSION BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF PERU OF THE  
INTENTION OF THAT GOVERNMENT TO RATIFY THE CONVENTION AT  
AN EARLY DATE, THUS BRINGING IT INTO EFFECT; AND,

CONSIDERING:

THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 3 OF THE CHARTER OF THE

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, WHICH COMMITS THE MEMBER STATES, INTER ALIA, TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HAS CERTAIN FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS;

THE AMERICAN DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MAN, DONE AT BOGOTA ON MAY 2, 1948, UNDER WHICH THE AMERICAN STATES COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO THE PROTECTION OF THE DIGNITY AND RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL;

THAT THE REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS CONCLUDES THAT GRAVE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS CONTINUE TO OCCUR IN A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN OUR HEMISPHERE; AND,

THAT THE DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS ONE OF THE HIGH PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,

RESOLVES:

1. TO EXPRESS ITS GRATITUDE TO THE COMMISSION FOR ITS REPORT;
2. TO CALL UPON ALL MEMBER STATES TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH THE COMMISSION HAS MADE IN ITS REPORT, PARTICULARLY THOSE RELATING TO THE RELEASE OF PERSONS DETAINED INCOMMUNICADO AND THE PUNISHMENT OF UNCLASSIFIED

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OFFICIALS GUILTY OF TORTURE;

3. TO DIRECT THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONTINUE MONITORING THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE HEMISPHERE;
4. TO REQUEST THE COMMISSION TO EXPEDITE ITS REPORTS ON RECENT VISITS TO PANAMA AND EL SALVADOR, AS WELL AS OTHER SPECIAL REPORTS ON COUNTRIES IN WHICH THERE APPEARS TO BE EVIDENCE OF REPEATED VIOLATIONS;
5. TO REQUEST THE COMMISSION TO PREPARE A DRAFT CONVENTION MAKING TORTURE AN INTERNATIONAL CRIME;
6. TO URGE MEMBER STATES WHICH HAVE NOT DONE SO TO SIGN AND RATIFY THE AMERICAN CONVENTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.
7. TO EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION FOR THE NEW INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE AND TO URGE THE GOVERNMENT OF CHILE TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE PAST RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION CONTAINED IN ITS THREE REPORTS ON CHILE AND,

ABOVE ALL, TO ACCOUNT FOR DISAPPEARED PERSONS AND TO  
IMPOSE PUNISHMENT ON OFFICIALS FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED  
THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT OF PHYSICAL INTEGRITY. VANCE

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